

Filner	Mahoney (FL)	Sánchez, Linda	Radanovich	Sessions	Tiberi
Forbes	Maloney (NY)	T.	Rehberg	Shadegg	Turner
Frank (MA)	Markey	Sanchez, Loretta	Renzi	Shays	Upton
Gerlach	Matheson	Sarbanes	Reynolds	Shimkus	Walberg
Giffords	Matsui	Saxton	Rogers (AL)	Shuster	Walden (OR)
Gilchrest	McCarthy (NY)	Schakowsky	Rogers (KY)	Simpson	Walsh (NY)
Gillibrand	McCollum (MN)	Schiff	Rogers (MI)	Smith (NE)	Wamp
Gonzalez	McDermott	Schwartz	Rohrabacher	Smith (TX)	Westmoreland
Gordon	McGovern	Scott (GA)	Roskam	Souder	Wilson (NM)
Graves	McHugh	Scott (VA)	Royce	Stearns	Wilson (SC)
Green, Gene	McIntyre	Serrano	Ryan (WI)	Sullivan	Wolf
Grijalva	McNerney	Sestak	Sali	Tancredo	Young (AK)
Gutierrez	McNulty	Shea-Porter	Schmidt	Terry	
Hall (NY)	Meek (FL)	Sherman	Sensenbrenner	Thornberry	
Hare	Meeks (NY)	Shuler			
Harman	Melancon	Sires			
Hastings (FL)	Mica	Skelton	Bachus	Green, Al	Kennedy
Hereth Sandlin	Michaud	Slaughter	Carson	Hastert	Kline (MN)
Hill	Miller (FL)	Smith (NJ)	Conyers	Herger	LaHood
Hinchey	Miller (NC)	Smith (WA)	Cubin	Hinojosa	Marshall
Hirono	Miller, George	Snyder	Davis, Jo Ann	Jackson-Lee	Moran (KS)
Hobson	Mitchell	Solis	Dingell	(TX)	Moran (VA)
Hodes	Mollohan	Space	Jindal		Perlmutter
Holden	Moore (KS)	Spratt	Doyle	Johnson, E. B.	Reichert
Holt	Moore (WI)	Stark	Everett		
Honda	Murphy (CT)	Stupak			
Hooley	Murphy, Patrick	Sutton			
Hoyer	Murphy, Tim	Tanner			
Hulshof	Murtha	Tauscher			
Inslee	Nadler	Taylor			
Israel	Napolitano	Thompson (CA)			
Jackson (IL)	Neal (MA)	Thompson (MS)			
Jefferson	Oberstar	Tiahrt			
Johnson (GA)	Obey	Tierney			
Jones (NC)	Olver	Towns			
Jones (OH)	Ortiz	Udall (CO)			
Kagen	Pallone	Udall (NM)			
Kanjorski	Pascarell	Van Hollen			
Kaptur	Pastor	Velázquez			
Keller	Payne	Visclosky			
Kildee	Peterson (MN)	Walz (MN)			
Kilpatrick	Pickering	Wasserman			
Kind	Platts	Schultz			
Kirk	Poe	Waters			
Klein (FL)	Pomeroy	Watson			
Kucinich	Price (NC)	Watt			
Lampson	Rahall	Waxman			
Langevin	Ramstad	Weiner			
Lantos	Rangel	Welch (VT)			
Larsen (WA)	Regula	Weldon (FL)			
Larson (CT)	Reyes	Weller			
LaTourette	Richardson	Wexler			
Lee	Rodriguez	Whitfield			
Levin	Ros-Lehtinen	Wicker			
Lewis (GA)	Ross	Wilson (OH)			
Lipinski	Rothman	Woolsey			
LoBlundo	Roybal-Allard	Wu			
Loeback	Ruppersberger	Wynn			
Lofgren, Zoe	Rush	Yarmuth			
Lowey	Ryan (OH)	Young (FL)			
Lynch	Salazar				

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Akin	Ehlers	Lamborn
Alexander	Emerson	Latham
Bachmann	English (PA)	Lewis (CA)
Baker	Fallin	Lewis (KY)
Barrett (SC)	Feeney	Linder
Bartlett (MD)	Flake	Lucas
Barton (TX)	Fortenberry	Lungren, Daniel
Biggart	Fossella	E.
Bilbray	Fox	Mack
Blackburn	Franks (AZ)	Manzullo
Blunt	Frelinghuysen	Marchant
Boehner	Gallely	McCarthy (CA)
Bono	Garrett (NJ)	McCaul (TX)
Boozman	Gingrey	McCotter
Broun (GA)	Gohmert	McCrery
Burton (IN)	Goode	McHenry
Buyer	Goodlatte	McKeon
Calvert	Granger	McMorris
Campbell (CA)	Hall (TX)	Rodgers
Cannon	Hastings (WA)	Miller (MI)
Cantor	Hayes	Miller, Gary
Capito	Heller	Musgrave
Carter	Hensarling	Myrick
Castle	Higgins	Neugebauer
Chabot	Hoekstra	Nunes
Coble	Hunter	Paul
Cole (OK)	Inglis (SC)	Pearce
Conaway	Issa	Pence
Crenshaw	Johnson (IL)	Peterson (PA)
Culberson	Johnson, Sam	Petri
Davis (KY)	Jordan	Pitts
Davis, David	King (IA)	Porter
Deal (GA)	King (NY)	Price (GA)
Doolittle	Kingston	Pryce (OH)
Dreier	Knollenberg	Putnam

XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 3567.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3567) to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to expand opportunities for investments in small businesses, and for other purposes, with Mr. KIND in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered read the first time.

The gentlewoman from New York (Ms. VELÁZQUEZ) and the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. CHABOT) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, venture capital is the life blood of our Nation's small businesses. Venture capital not only serves as the raw material for economic growth and job creation, but also acts as fuel for the pursuit of new ideas and innovation. Without it, businesses cannot expand, and even the best ideas wither and die in what has come to be known as the "Valley of Death" between setup and commercialization. Clearly, our Nation's 26 million entrepreneurs depend upon this resource, and yet despite its obvious importance, venture capital remains elusive to the vast majority of small businesses.

The Small Business Investment Expansion Act of 2007 is a bipartisan effort introduced by Mr. ALTMIRE and Mr. GRAVES. This legislation signifies our commitment to helping small businesses receive the venture capital that is vital to economic growth, innovation and job creation; and I rise in support of this bill.

Perhaps no Federal agency is better positioned to meet the challenges of small business investment than the Small Business Administration. Since 1958, the SBA's investment programs have helped hundreds of small businesses and have contributed to the success of several of our Nation's notable companies, including Apple Computer, Federal Express, Staples, and Costco. Unfortunately, the SBA's programs have suffered the effects of mismanagement, flat funding and neglect in recent years. By the SBA's own estimates, the total unmet need for early-stage equity financing for small businesses is approximately \$60 billion each year. Additionally, it has been identified that the greatest equity capital financing need of small businesses is financing in the amount of \$250,000 to \$5 million.

While new investment strategies possess the potential to make a significant

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Hastert	Kline (MN)
Herger	LaHood
Hinojosa	Marshall
Jackson-Lee	Moran (KS)
(TX)	Moran (VA)
Jindal	Perlmutter
Johnson, E. B.	Reichert

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Mr. CONAWAY changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, on September 27, 2007, I missed three rollcall votes. I was unavoidably detained at a medical appointment. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 919, "yes" on rollcall No. 920 and "no" on rollcall No. 921, final passage of HR 3121, the Flood Insurance Reform and Modernization Act.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 3121, FLOOD INSURANCE REFORM AND MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2007

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of H.R. 3121, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering and cross-referencing, and the insertion of appropriate headings.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and insert into the RECORD extraneous material on the bill to be considered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT EXPANSION ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 682 and rule